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BE A PATRIOT IN THOUGHT, IN DEED, IN SPEECH<sup>1</sup>

Be a patriot in thought;  
What other land can boast  
An area so great and grand;  
We love, from coast to coast,  
Her fertile plains, her lofty crags.  
Her limpid mountain streams;  
Her purple hills that meet the sky  
Where sunsets' glory gleams.

Be a patriot in deed;  
For he who bears his flag  
O'er bloody fields, to victory,  
Whose spirits never lag;  
Who serves his country and his home  
In peace as well as war—  
He is the man, who makes our land  
A land worth dying for.

Be a patriot in speech;  
And rising in defence  
Of native land, of native tongue,  
And power of eloquence,  
Put beauty and expression  
In everything you say,  
For 'tis this that makes our language,  
The language of to-day.

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<sup>1</sup> Written in tenth-grade English class.